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The amendment filed on 10/17/2005 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment documents to be compliant, correction of the following items is required. **ONLY THE CORRECTED SECTION OF THE NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT DOCUMENT MUST BE RESUBMITTED (IN ITS ENTIRETY), e.g. THE ENTIRE "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" SECTIONS OF APPLICANT'S AMENDMENT MUST BE RE-SUBMITTED.** 37 CFR 1.121 (h).

Amendments to the claims: claims 21, 23, 25-26, 28-, 31-32, 34. The claims identified has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following 7 status identifiers: (Original), (Currently Amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New), and (Not entered).

Applicant has amended the identified claims as "original" when in fact they have been amended.

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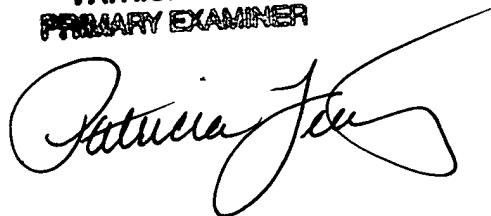
If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiners' supervisor, Terry McKelvey, can be reached at (571) 272-0775. The official fax number for the group is (571) 273-8300.

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